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Amendment and Reply

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, having a mailing date of 25 June 2002, (Paper No. 11) Applicants respectfully submit the following response. A Petition for a three-month extension of time and requisite fee are included. In view of the following amendments and accompanying remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims. Applicants will address each of the Examiner's concerns in the order presented in the Office Action.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph in the "Related Applications" section with the following rewritten paragraph:

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-- This application is a divisional of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/154,903, filed September 17, 1998, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/725,540, filed October 3, 1996, now abandoned, which is continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/539,142, filed October 4, 1995, now abandoned. --